PRESIDENT: We are now ready then for the second bill under special order, LB 986. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 986 was introduced by the Urban Affairs Committee. (Read title.) The bill was read on January 23 of this year. It was referred to Urban Affairs. It was advanced to General File. The bill was considered on February 28. At that time committee amendments were adopted. There was an amendment by Senator Fowler which was adopted. The bill failed to advance on that date, Mr. President. There are no further amendments on the bill.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator George.

SENATOR GEORGE: Thank you, Mr. President, I move to advance LB 986 to E & R initial. As you remember, we had a long debate on LB 986. Several amendments were adopted, one or two were not. I think the bill is in good shape and I most certainly don't think that we can waste more time and repeating that debate. The only reason that bill is back today is that the final vote to advance LB 986 came a little bit after twelve o'clock and we did have fifteen senators absent. We do have some senators absent this morning because of weather conditions but I sure hope that now after the prolonged debate on Thursday we can simply go ahead and advance the bill and go ahead and vote.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Haberman. All right, the Chair recognizes Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY: I would only caution you once more, that this bill has a potential to cause extreme financial harm to either developers or authorities, should they be created, and I urge you not to incorporate into our laws, something that the Attorney General has repeatedly said is confusing and unclear.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Marsh.

SENATOR MARSH: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I rise to strongly support LB 986. Lincoln needs this proposal. The rest of the state can make use of it but it is very important for our community. It is important to the Legislature because we eventually will be able to make use of facilities built through 986. I urge your rapid advancement.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Wesely. All right, the Chair recognizes Senator Koch.